

# Medford Daily Tribune

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### SEEING THEMSELVES GO BY.

During 1896 the country witnessed the ludicrous spectacle of western republican state delegations going to the national convention with free silver banners stretched across their cars, and coming back pledged to the repudiation of silver and advocates of the gold standard. Newspapers that for years had advocated free coinage of silver in a night switched and opposed it as a device of the damned. All this at the crack of the party whip, wielded by the unscrupulous servant of the interests whose money had purchased party control. This incident alone showed the farce of politics, how partisans swallow anything that has the party label attached, regardless of origin, purpose or results.

Another ludicrous incident has just occurred to brighten the present campaign, which proves anew the insincerity and color-blindness of the partisan, who can see naught but evil in anything not bearing the party tag. This time the labels became mixed and the results are most amusing.

As a result, chagrin and embarrassment are being experienced at the present time by two dyed-in-the-wool, vote-for-a-yellow-dog partisan republican newspapers—the Portland Oregonian and the Omaha Bee, which have been placed in the absurd position of viewing the republican platform in a disinterested way. It is a curious fact, but true, nevertheless, that the two papers both bitterly attacked the republican platform tariff plank, thinking it was a statement made by the democratic candidate. Both hit at Mr. Bryan and struck that which each have been blindly supporting since the adoption of the platform by the Chicago convention.

In Bryan's speech on the tariff question the Commoner took occasion to quote the following paragraph from the republican platform:

"In all tariff legislation the true principle is best maintained by the imposition of such duties as will equal the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad, together with reasonable profit to American industries."

In some inexplicable manner the Omaha Bee and the Oregonian attributed to Bryan this statement, and proceeded to attack it. The Omaha Bee said editorially:

"Nothing prettier in the catch-all line has been offered in this campaign. The most hidebound standard-bearer in the country can accept that as satisfactory and the rank & file trader can find delight in it. The declaration means simply nothing. An attempt to legislate along that line would simply open the way to interminable wrangling as to what constitutes 'a reasonable profit,' for hair splitting on wages in one industry, price of raw material in another, rebates and drawbacks in a third and so on through the list of thousands of articles that are now on the tariff lists. Under such a proposition an attempt at tariff revision, at Bryan's direction, would serve only to halt industrial and commercial progress and keep business unsettled during his term of office."

The Oregonian made the following remarks on the paragraph:

"This means just nothing. Every protectionist, even the extremist, will accept the statement. Who is to decide what is 'reasonable profit'? Who is to decide what may be the difference between wages at home and abroad?"

"Should Bryan be elected president, and the congress with him, and attempt be made to adjust the tariff for 'imposition of such duties as will equal the difference between cost of production at home and abroad, together with 'reasonable profit to American industries,' we should discover at once the charity and fatuity of the undertaking."

All of which shows what republican papers think of Mr. Taft's platform when the robe of partisan politics is cast aside.

It is of further interest to remember that Editor Rosewater of the Omaha Bee is a member of the executive committee of the republican national committee and the head of the republican publicity bureau.

The case is a striking example of the fact that in the political arena of today the elector is seldom a free agent, and few use either sense or judgment, but vote merely for party.

The American voter, swayed by partisanship, is herded, harried and made to believe that which wouldn't pass muster for the truth in a gathering of children. He is the prey of the cheat and liar from primaries to the polls. It has been admitted that all is fair in love and war—and fairness has never entered into politics since the dawning of history. There is the straightforward argument, and truthful facts and figures, to be sure; but the ballot is often cast on the last misinformation received or in submission to some form of appeal to prejudice.

The Omaha Bee and the Oregonian are to be thanked for pointing out the ridiculous side of the republican platform. Their remarks are hardly such as to gain for them appreciation in the republican headquarters.

It was simply a case of "stand to one side and watch yourself go by."

Andrew Carnegie of the steel trust has given \$20,000 to help elect Taft. Every trust in America and every beneficiary of special legislation is giving to the same cause, and not without expectation of results for their gifts.

A morning paper states that Oregon is for Taft because 29 out of 47 newly registered Medford voters are republican. At the June election there were 560 registered republicans to 239 registered democrats, yet Chamberlain received 561 votes to 417 for Cake. You can't always sometimes tell.

## MAIL MAKES LONG TRIP

### Followed Battleship About the Globe for Months Before Catching Vessel

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 10.—The courts of many cities were on the alert for the arrival of the battleship Oregon, which has been on a long voyage. The letters and parcels scattered about the ship were headed for Seattle. In the course of a week they arrived, but the battleship had sailed for Honolulu. The news and letters were forwarded to the island capital, but the battleship was on its way back to Panama when the unlucky mail sacks arrived. Nothing daunted, the sack started for Panama, only to find that the elusive battleship was at Amalpa, Honduras. The sack was an hour late in reaching Honduras, and a day late in endeavoring to catch the battleship at San Francisco. The battleship was headed for Bremerton and the sack by a hasty rail trip to Seattle reached the battleship last night.

### ORDINANCE NO. 179.

An ordinance providing for the appointment of an inspector of electric wiring, providing compensation therefor, and prescribing the fees to be paid for inspection therefor.

The city of Medford doth ordain as follows: Section 1. The office of inspector of electric wiring for the city of Medford, Oregon, is hereby created, such inspector to be appointed by the mayor, by and with the approval of the city council.

Section 2. The duties of such inspector shall be the same heretofore by ordinance provided to be performed by the superintendent of the light and water plant of said city in connection with the inspection of electrical wiring in said city, and he shall receive, as full compensation for his services as such inspector, the fees hereinafter provided to be paid for such inspection, and no other compensation.

Section 3. When, upon application, inspection is made of the wiring or equipment of any building in this city, the company or persons installing such equipment shall, before certificate is issued, pay to the said inspector for such inspection, the following fees:

- For 15 lights or less ..... \$0.50
- For more than 15 and not more than 25 lights ..... .75
- For more than 25 and not more than 50 lights ..... 1.25
- For more than 50 and not more than 100 lights ..... 2.00
- For more than 100 and not more than 150 lights ..... 2.50
- For more than 150 and not more than 250 lights ..... 4.00
- For more than 250 and not more than 500 lights ..... 5.00
- For each additional light over 500, each ..... .91

Miniature incandescent lights, one-half above rates. When wiring is for arc lights:

- For two lights or less ..... .50
  - For more than two lights, each ..... .25
- When wiring is for dynamo, electric machines, whether used for motors or generators:

- For one kilo-watt or less ..... .50
  - For more than one K-W and not more than eight K-W ..... 1.00
  - For more than eight K-W and not more than 15 K-W ..... 1.50
  - For more than 15 K-W and not more than 30 K-W ..... 2.00
  - For more than 30 K-W and not more than 60 K-W ..... 3.00
- For inspection of electrical apparatus for which no fee is herein prescribed, and for the re-inspection of electrical installations when necessary, and for the inspection of temporary installations for decorative, advertising or theatrical purposes, the said inspector may charge a fee of not exceeding 75 cents per hour for the time actually consumed by said inspector in making the inspection, and said inspector shall retain all moneys collected by him under this ordinance, as full compensation for such inspection.

Section 4. All ordinances and parts thereof repealed in so far as they conflict herewith, but no further.

The foregoing ordinance was passed by the city council October 6, 1908, Townbridge voting aye, Merrick aye, Wortman aye, Hafer aye, Eifert aye, and Ollwell aye.

Approved October 6, 1908.  
176 J. F. REDDY, Mayor.

Attest:  
BENJ. M. COLLINS, Recorder.

### PROBATE

Estate Frank I. Nelke; order made allowing widow \$60 per month.

Estate John Beckner; order made appointing November 9 as day for final settlement.

Christian Science. Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the Commercial club room. Subject of the lesson-sermon for October 11, "Are Sin, Disease and Death Real?" All are welcome. Sunday school at 10 o'clock.

### FRIDAY'S BASEBALL.

At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 6, Portland 1.  
At San Francisco—San Francisco 7, Oakland 4.

### NEW CASES.

Elvin Hayes vs. Ella Hayes; suit for divorce. J. F. Newman, attorney for plaintiff.

## DETROIT GONE BASEBALL MAD

### Fans Camp on Ground All Night to be Sure of Place to Witness First Game

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 10.—Business men forgot their troubles, office boys hurried hundreds of fictitious grandmothers and every baseball fan for miles around the Wolverine city started bright and early for Bennett's park to see the Tigers and Cubs fight for the baseball championship of the world for 1909. Hundreds of fans, fearful that they miss the game, camped all night at the grounds. By noontime the business streets appeared deserted and the vicinity of the ball park jammed with struggling humanity. Everybody in Detroit seemed to be clamoring at the gates and the hundreds were doomed to disappointment.

The Tiger team and its leader, Hugh Jennings, declared that they will not enter the world's struggle with the handicap of last year. Last year the Chicago club was destined to play the world's championship series several weeks before the end of the season. This year the winners were not decided until the end of the season.

### Log Kills Man.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Oct. 10.—Alex Scott, aged 50 years, died today from being crushed by a large log in the Long Lake Lumber company's logging camp near this place. He was a Forester. He left relatives in Salem.

### Prepaid Railroad Orders.

"Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be forwarded at the same time."



WITH THE COFFEE AND CIGARS you finish one of the finest dinners you ever ate when you dine at the Nash Cafe. If you wish to entertain some visitor whom you want to impress with your way of living, bring him here for dinner. We'll reserve a table for you and guarantee a meal that will do proud and us too.

## NASH CAFE

## Smith & Molony

Carry the Strongest Line of

# High Cut Boots

at the best prices in Southern Oregon  
Buy now, for you will need them

## See Our Window



## Toque Point Oysters

The Emerick Cafe has now the exclusive agency for the Toque Point Oysters. These are acknowledged to be the best. Give them a trial.

## The Emerick Cafe

## If You Will

focus your eye on the small made-to-order Suits we are offering, you will realize at once that they are exceptional values. You will find over five hundred different suitings here from which to make a selection. We would like to take your measurements now.

French Dry Cleaning and Pressing neatly done.

# W. W. EIFERT

CITY TAILOR

## You Do Not See Many

signs of this character about Medford. We always find a desirable tenant before a good building has been "to let" more than 24 hours, and land owners know we can always find a purchaser if a reasonable valuation is put on property. Consequently Medford does not impress the homeseeker as being "under the hammer." This is as it should be.

This is the season of the year when homeseekers want winter accommodations. Use business judgment; get free rent and make a winning by purchasing one of these beautiful cottages of the

## Rogue River Land Company

EXHIBIT BUILDING, MEDFORD

## Jackson County Bank

Medford, Oregon

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Finest equipment in southern Oregon.

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G. R. LINDLEY, Cashier

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## Notice to Water Consumers

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By order of the  
WATER COMMITTEE.  
September 21, 1908.

## MEDFORD SASH & DOOR COMPANY

PHONE 2291.

Window Frames, Oak Veneered Doors, with Bevel Plate, carried in stock cheap. Office Fixtures and all kinds of Planing Mill Work, including Turned Work and Fancy Grills.

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J. E. ENYART, Presid. ent. JOHN S. ORTH, Cashier.  
J. A. PERRY, Vice-President. W. B. JACKSON, Asst Cashier.

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